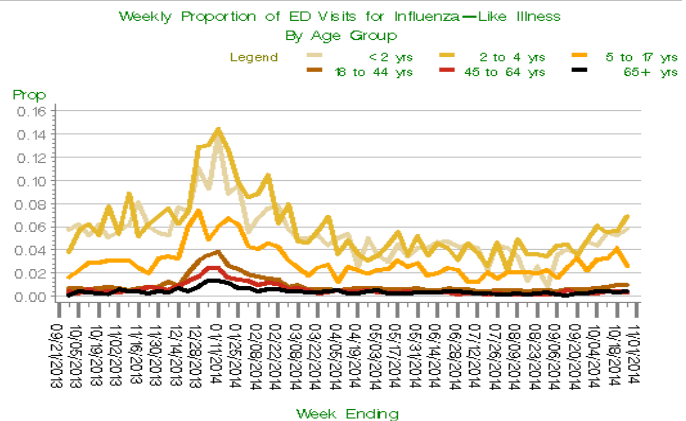
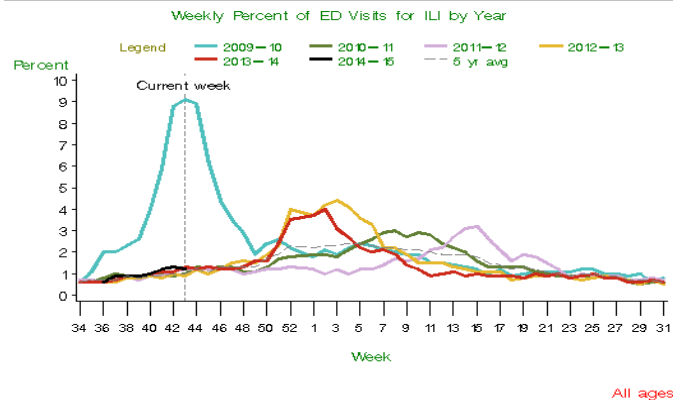


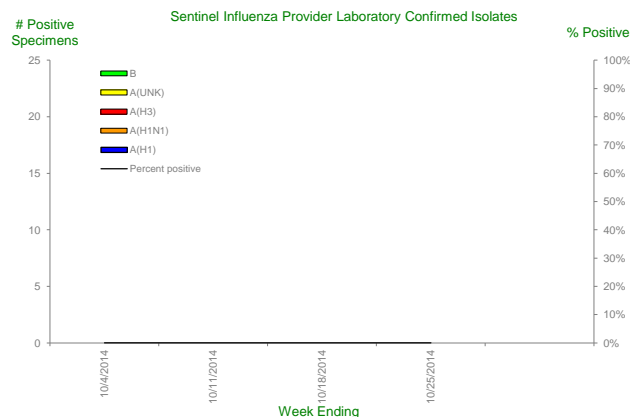
Influenza continues to be detected at low levels in King County. No influenza-related deaths or facility-based outbreaks have been reported through the week ending 10/25/2014. The proportion of emergency department visits attributable to ILI remains at baseline levels, with slightly elevated levels among children under age five; levels are comparable to those seen in previous years. The University of Washington Virology laboratory has observed small numbers of influenza A and influenza B isolates, and has seen an elevated rhinovirus activity over the past month.

	Data for this week	Cumulative data this season since September 28, 2013
Laboratory-Confirmed Influenza Deaths	0	0
King County Outpatient Sentinel Influenza Providers		
Specimens Submitted	3	14
Proportion Positive for Influenza	0.0%	Season Peak: 00.0%
A (H1)	0	0
A (H3)	0	0
A (Unknown)	0	0
B	0	0
Hospital Laboratory Influenza Rapid Antigen Test Submissions		
Number of Labs Reporting	4	Weekly Average: 5
Number of Specimens Submitted	77	Weekly Average: 71
Proportion of Tests Positive for Influenza	3.9%	Season Peak: 5.1%
Hospital Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI)		
Proportion of Visits Due to ILI	1.2%	Season Peak: 1.3%
Percent of All King County Deaths Due to Pneumonia and Influenza (P & I)	3.3%	--
National Epidemic Threshold	6.1%	# Weeks Threshold Exceeded: 0
Respiratory Disease Outbreaks at Long-Term Care Facilities (LCTFs)	0	0
Laboratory-Confirmed LTCF Influenza Outbreaks	0	0



Note: 5 yr avg excludes the current season and the 2009 H1N1 pandemic period
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Resources

Additional Flu Information, Resources and Surveillance:
www.kingcounty.gov/health/flu

UW Virology Laboratory Respiratory Virus Surveillance:
<http://depts.washington.edu/rspvirus/documents/VD2014-15.pdf>

Washington State Influenza Surveillance Update:
www.doh.wa.gov/EHSPHL/Epidemiology/CD/fluupdate.pdf

National Influenza Update:
www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/

Global Influenza Update:
www.who.int/csr/disease/influenza/en/